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BETHEL, MAINE, THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1929

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BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mrs. Clifton Gray is in town visiting friends.

Mrs. Leslie Davis is improving slowly.

Maxine Clough is home from Gorham Normal School.

Dr. R. B. Tibbets and family were in Portland Friday.

Mrs. Leland A. Edwards dislocated her shoulder last week.

Mrs. Mabel Clough was in Rumford a few days last week.

Miss Erma Marshall is teaching in the South Bethel school.

Hubert York and family were Sunday callers at Selden Grover's.

Miss Esther Lapham was home over the week end from Auburn.

Miss Barbara Hutchinson visited friends in Gilead last Friday.

Albert Brown is home from Gorham Normal School for the vacation.

Melvin Bergquist returned to his home at Berlin, N. H., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Herriek and two daughters were in Portland Friday.

Miss Alfreda Wheeler returned to her school in Barre, Vt., Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Russ of Bryant Pond were Sunday visitors in town.

Marion Parsons was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Ula Parsons, last week.

Miss Mae Briggs of West Paris was an over-night guest of Edna Bean Sunday.

Mrs. Herman Joy and son left Friday for Kittery where she will spend some time.

Evelyn Whitman of Grover Hill is staying with Mrs. Roy Andrews this week.

Adelaide Ramsell has returned from Norway where she has been for several weeks.

Rev. W. B. Patterson is attending the Methodist Conference held in Bangor this week.

The regular meeting of the Parent Teacher Association will be held Monday evening.

Mrs. Mina Harriman has returned to Bethel after spending the winter in South Paris.

Mrs. Edw. P. Lyon was in Portland last week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tibbets.

Mrs. F. L. Edwards and daughter, Dorothy, have returned from a visit in Medford, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley F. Bartlett of Lewiston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Farwell Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Chandler of West Sumner is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. D. Forbes, and family.

Esther and Lauris Tyler of Portland spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tyler.

Mrs. Fred Bartlett of Norway was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Hamrell one day last week.

Helen Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Blon Brown of South Paris, is very ill with pneumonia.

There was a benefit card party at the Masonic Hall, Tuesday evening for Purity Chapter, O. E. S.

Mrs. Guy Swan went to Berlin Monday where she underwent an operation for the removal of tonsils.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell and Mrs. McKay of Norway were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Bartlett.

Mrs. H. H. Hastings and son, Henry, spent last week in Portland, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kenney.

Miss Annie Eastman of St. Paris and Miss Kathleen Poirand of Rumford were week end guests at F. J. Tyler's.

Freeland Clark, who has been attending the Maine School of Commerce, has returned home and is employed at Bethel Inn.

N. C. Machas and Charles Dodge were in Portland Monday to attend the Oakland-Pontiac Service Men's Convention.

Everett Mitchell and family have returned to their home on the Locke's Mills road after spending the winter in the village.

The regular meeting of Sunset Grange Lodge will be held Monday evening, April 15. The degree work will be exemplified.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Inman have rooms in Mrs. Irving French's house on Spring Street and are keeping house. Mr. Inman is employed at Bethel Inn.

BETHEL TO HAVE BASEBALL THIS SUMMER

A meeting of those interested in the Bethel baseball team was held at the Grange Hall last Friday evening. Plans for the coming season were discussed and officers were elected.

Hugh Thurston was returned to the position of treasurer and financial manager. Roger Bartlett will be team manager and Roy Davis will be in charge of publicity and arranging games.

It is hoped to arrange a schedule of two or three games a week this summer and the plans made Friday evening include hiring a pitcher for the season. It is understood that negotiations have been started to secure Rodney Bartlett for this position.

Bethel fans will remember the showing the home team made last year and it is hoped that all will pull together and give the team the support it should have this season.

With last year's record many of the same players and a better financial condition than in 1928, everything looks favorable for an even greater success.

Gould Academy Notes

Classes were resumed on Tuesday following the Easter recess.

BASEBALL. Tuesday afternoon saw the Athletic Field filled with anxious baseball enthusiasts warming up for the spring practice. A group of boys set to work on the diamond and tennis courts, cleaning up and rolling the ground. It is hard to tell definitely about the prospects for the baseball team but it is hoped that the team will be brought into good shape before long by Coach Anderson.

The Pundits will present a moving picture next week, Wednesday, at 6:45. This will be open to the public. The picture will probably be "Treasure Island" by R. L. Stevenson.

The Girl Reserves have elected the following officers for the coming year: President—Gertrude French; Vice-President—Mabel Herriek; Secretary—Ruby Knapp; Treasurer—Leona Brown.

Chairman Program—Kathryn Herriek; Chairman Membership—Dorothy Keady; Chairman Social—Betty Brown; Chairman Music—Hazel Mosher; Chairman Service—Isabel Foster; Chairman Poster—Mary Thurston; Delegates to Maqua—Gertrude French, Kathryn Herriek.

MIXED FOREST PLANTING ADVISED.

"Even a forester should not carry all of his eggs in one basket," said Ralph M. Hutchinson, extension forestry specialist, University of Maine, in speaking of the advisability of a mixed planting of species under certain conditions.

"When reforestation old run out fields or abandoned farms in Maine if white pine is to be used, it is advisable to plant a mixture with at least one-half of the trees of other conifers such as red Norway pine, European larch or white spruce," he continued. "While pine in pure stands is subject to damage from a native insect known as 'white pine weevil.' This insect kills the leader or terminal growth and usually causes a forked tree.

Because reforestation began to progress in Maine about 18 years ago the two conifers have ordered from forest nurseries chiefly white pine and have planted this species in pure stands. Many of these plantations of white pine have suffered seriously from the weevil damage and are producing small trees from which inferior lumber may be expected.

"This pine is considered an excellent tree to plant in mixture with white spruce, European larch or white spruce. These hardy conifers have needed no special care or day long hours of spraying to make good growth and they are more used in mixture with white pine in such areas. The white spruce may be cut for pulp wood before the white pine reaches maturity. European larch may be used with white pine and it grows very much faster. This mixture is best for posts or poles versus the white pine can be harvested at a profit."

Miss Margaret Flint, who attends Farmington Normal School as spending a week's vacation at her home here.

The Misses Eliza and Adelaide Bean spent a few days last week in Auburn with their sister, Mrs. Harvey Jones.

FARM BUREAU NEWS

Farmers who attended the Farm Management meetings held in South Paris and Norway on Thursday and Friday of last week felt well repaid for their time thus spent. In the morning Donald W. Reed, Farm Management Demonstrator for the Maine Extension Service, took the men on a tour of six farms over the state with a series of lantern slides showing practices followed in these six farms which resulted in a substantial increase in the labor income over a period of five years from 1922 to 1927. The afternoon was taken up with a real analysis of the farming business in and around the community and the actual receipts and expenditures necessary to carry on these farm operations. Many points were brought out in the discussion.

"The farmer is positively up against it if he does not have at the present day something besides the average working knowledge which was sufficient to keep the wolf from the door only a few years ago. Practically the only solution to the problem seemed to be more volume of business. Poultry was suggested as one of the best enterprises at the present time to bring up the labor income.

One of the important points brought out was that total receipts on a one man farm must equal somewhere between three and four thousand dollars to make a thousand dollar a year labor income. This can only be brought about by increasing on present farm enterprises or the addition of a new enterprise.

Meetings to be held by Donald H. Ridley, County Agent, during the next week are as follows: April 15, Canton; April 13, Sumner; April 16, North Rumford; April 17, East Bethel; April 18, Andover.

FARM MANAGEMENT MEETING AT EAST BETHEL

There are farmers in Maine who have been making more money every year since 1922. Attend the all day Farm Management meeting at East Bethel Grange Hall and learn how they did it. Meeting starts at 10 A. M. and is under the direction of State Specialist Donald Reed. Mr. Reed says, "We shall not be satisfied with telling how others succeed, but we will help every one attending to find ways of making more money on their own farms. Dinner will be served by the ladies of the Farm Bureau. Don't miss this meeting."

OAKLAND SETS SALES RECORD IN FEBRUARY

Setting a new high record for the month, the Oakland Motor Car Company during February, sold 28,369 new Oakland and Pontiac Sixes, according to figures reported to the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, W. R. Tracy, vice-president in charge of sales, announced recently.

This compares with 25,786 units sold during the same month last year and 24,903 in February, 1927. Mr. Tracy stated. It also shows an increase of more than fifty percent over the output in January of this year.

Current production schedules point to a new all time monthly record during March in view of the popular favor which the new Oakland All American Six and the new Pontiac Six are enjoying, Mr. Tracy declared. February came close to achieving this end, the record month having been June, 1926, with a total output of 29,477 cars.

Production facilities of the company are now keyed to peak capacity, two thousand assembly lines and three Pontiac lines turning out finished cars at the highest speed consistent with precision manufacturing methods. To keep production abreast of the public demand, several manufacturing plants in the modern Oakland Pontiac plant at Pontiac, Mich., are operating on day and night shifts. Mr. Tracy announced.

ANNUAL LAMENT

The roads, improved and otherwise, are undergoing the usual spring maintenance. The forces, chills, potholes, and all by saving the surface, and in places has finally succumbed to the forces of Jack Frost on the icy highways. In other places there has been removal leaving the gravel and dirt surface unprotected.

The public seems agreed that present conditions are not what they should be, and with the many motorists stuck in the mud each day it seems likely that something will be done to repair the worst places before next year. Crows are at work on the roads at present.

The principal sufferers from these conditions on the main travel roads are the heavily loaded trucks.

GRANGE NEWS

BETHEL GRANGE

The regular meeting of Bethel Grange was held Thursday evening with all officers present but three and an attendance of over 30 members and five visitors.

After the business of the evening was carried out the following program was presented.

Reading, Lecturer Mrs. F. B. Russell Piano solo.

Roll call, responded to by mention of some subject they would like discussed in the Grange. Some of the subjects suggested were "Highway Commission," "Sunday Law," "Investments," "Matrimony," "Electric and Water Power."

Lunch was served in honor of Ira Hickford, whose birthday occurred on that date and who has always been most helpful and kind to the Grange.

Mr. Hickford was escorted to the seat of honor by the lecturer and presented with a birthday cake and a sum of money. This was a complete surprise to him, but was received with deep appreciation which he expressed in a few well chosen words. A poem written by Mrs. Addie Kendall Mason was read by Mrs. Ruth Poole and was a pleasing feature of the evening's entertainment. After lunch all returned to the hall and discussed the following subjects: "Sunday Law," "Highway Commission," followed by singing which concluded the evening's program.

PARIS GRANGE

At the regular meeting of Paris Grange, April 6, the following contest programs were given: Piano solo, Ave Lard, The Ruggles Family, Duet, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barker, Original Poem, Rev. E. B. Tetley, Content Cleaning, original, etc. This ended Mrs. Tyler's program and Mrs. Curtis gave us: Tableau, Solo, Laura Brooks, Original reading, Hattie Millett, Solo with tableau, Lewis Woodworth, Original poem, I've Sweet Music, harmonica and piano, Quartette with tableau, Reading in costume, Estella Thurlow, Talk on her old club, Ida Sturtevant, Quartette with tableau, Reading, Mamie Cummings, Solo, Mae Knapp, Reading in costume, Austin Stearns, Jr., Original poem, Rev. R. H. Colby, Duet with tableau, Reading, Mildred Irvine, Solo, Mae Knapp, Before the program Geo. Eastman gave a talk on his southern trip, and Donald Ridley showed two reels of pictures.

ROUND MOUNTAIN GRANGE

Round Mountain Grange met in regular session on April 6 for an all day meeting with the Sisters taking charge. At 12 o'clock the Brothers were called to the dining room to partake of such a dinner as the Round Mountain Sisters are noted for.

At 2 P. M. Worthy Master Wardwell called to order and proceeded with the routine work. Meeting was then placed in the hands of the Worthy Lecturer who then presented the following program, assisted by the Sisters for the entertainment of the Brothers.

Opening Song, America Roll Call. One thing a man can do around the house to help a woman. Reading, Widow Green's Farewell.

Reading, Learning on Your Hoe, Character. Mrs. Bruce Dora Becker. Receipts for a Good Year, Lull, Stearns. Dialogue, Auntie (Cecilia's) Visit, Character.

Auntie (Cecilia) Burton, Ruth Kimball Maid, Edith Stearns. Mrs. Kimball, Mrs. Edith Stearns. Mrs. Bruce, David, Hazel Wardwell. Social song, Hazel Wardwell. Health Closing, Ruth Allen. Farm Host, Nancy Andrews. Reading, A Woman's Word, Hilda Thorsbø.

Chorus, Good Night. And He With You Till We Meet Again. April 20 the Brothers are to take charge and furnish dinner and entertainment for the Sisters. A great day is anticipated.

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Miss Hazel Abbott of Bryant Pond spent the week end with her cousin, Eva Abbott, and attended services of the church.

Reverend services of the church of Sunday in charge of Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Young. There was a very good attendance of adults and children.

Mrs. Frank Coffey was gone to Dixfield to work at Hester Stanley for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bartlett were at Heston Fuller's Tuesday evening. The men folks engaged in playing checkers.

The school children were entertained Tuesday by Dr. Ray and nurse of West.

BARN BURNED AT NORWAY

Fire destroyed the barn of John P. Penley on Paris Street, Norway, last Sunday night. The fire had gained considerable headway when discovered about 11:20, and the firemen did well to save the house and all which joined the barn.

Two cows and a calf were lost, but Mr. Penley's truck was rescued although damaged by the fire.

MOVEMENT STARTED FOR TUBERCULOSIS DIAGNOSIS

The Maine Public Health Association and its affiliated organizations have launched a movement stressing the importance of the Early Diagnosis in Tuberculosis. The National Tuberculosis Association inaugurated a like campaign in March 1929, and the M. P. H. A., as its legal representative in Maine, handled last year's campaign, which was a decided success.

This year, then, the State organization learned with pleasure that the National Association was advocating a similar program throughout the entire United States during the month of April. Posters and pamphlets are being distributed by nurses and other health workers. Health talks, particularly stressing the fact that the early discovery of Tuberculosis means early recovery from it, are to be given during the month in many communities of Maine.

Very helpful cooperation is offered by the Puritan Advertising Company, through Mr. Melough the manager, who has agreed to place in prominent locations, about twenty of the large 2' sheet posters, free of charge. This help is greatly appreciated by those interested in the campaign. Other worthwhile assistance comes from the State Dept. of Health, the official health agency for Maine. The department has kindly consented to prepare and broadcast several radio talks during April on Tuberculosis and its various phases. An interesting and instructive story, "Consequences," is to be given through the medium of the moving pictures, and will be shown in many Maine cities and towns. The film was purchased by the Maine Public Health Association, but its showing is the gift of the managers of the theatres, which generously lends much appreciated.

The slogan for the month is "Early Recovery." This campaign is an appeal to adults with an additional emphasis on children. It is a well recognized fact that in cases where Tuberculosis is discovered early through examination by a competent physician, and careful treatment follows, a definite and permanent cure may be expected.

A series of Chest (Lung and Heart) clinics were held last year by the M. P. H. A. and this year a more extensive clinic program is scheduled. Whereas in 1928, when the first Clinic of this sort was held, very few cases were detected, last year the number in attendance had to be limited. What has created this change of feeling toward the diagnostic clinic? It is simply that the Maine citizens are more fully educated in preventive health measures than they were years ago. Not only is it physically better to keep well, but buoyant, positive health is an economical asset which cannot be overlooked.

The expense connected with the Early Diagnosis Campaign are paid by funds derived from the sale of Chest and Heart Seal and Bands, and again the interest and cooperation in health work of the residents of Maine are evidenced by their splendid response in the recent Health Seal and Band Sale, with the result, this special point of Tuberculosis work, the importance of the Early Diagnosis, would not be stressed for a month.

Elva Abbott and Florence attended Farm Bureau at the Pond Tuesday. Ed Thompson is in poor health. Joe Barrett had a finger crushed off at the first joint while working on the State truck one day last week. He will be unable to work for a few days.

Herman and Lloyd Fuller were at John H. Conway's Wednesday and Saturday evenings to practice some music.

Arthur Coffey injured his hand while working with a hatch house but has been able to work with it.

Angie and Catherine Young were in Gilead Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Morant and Mr. and Mrs. Eliza Bell of West Bethel were callers at Alanson Tyler's Sunday.

WEST BETHEL

Miss Madyll Bell of South Paris is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bell.

Master Robert Whitman returned home Sunday after spending several days with Clyde Whitman and family at Grover Hill.

Miss Evelyn Whitman of Grover Hill has been spending several days with Mrs. Evander Whitman.

Miss Eloyce Vashar and Master O'Neil Robertson of Bethel spent Saturday with Mrs. Estella Goodridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Andrews of Norway and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Inman were Sunday guests of Mr. Evansder Whitman and family.

Mrs. Louise Love of Bethel spent Sunday with Hazel Lowell and family.

Miss Catherine Bean, who has been spending several days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bean, returned home Monday.

Wilbur Davis went to Portland Saturday where he underwent an operation for appendicitis at the M. G. Hospital. Mrs. Davis accompanied him to Portland.

George Bennett of Hanover spent the week end at her home in town.

LOCKE MILLS

May Norton of Lewiston spent the week end at her home here.

Mr. Farrington, representing the Fuller Brush Co., was in town Tuesday. Warren Schell was in Montreat recently.

There was a large attendance at the dance Saturday night. Dances at Hotel Greenwood hall will continue throughout the month of April.

George Norton of Bethel visited relatives in town Sunday.

Several people in town are sick as a result of vaccination. Henry Morgan who has been quite ill, is better at this writing.

The Sixty-Three Card Club has discontinued the Saturday night parties. The members hope to enjoy them again next winter.

BRYANT POND

Hazen Emery was given a surprise party Wednesday evening, April 3, it being his twenty-first birthday. The evening was spent in playing cards and everyone seemed to have an enjoyable time.

The Woodstock schools have closed for one week.

Royden Billings from Farmington Normal School and Ruth Forbes from Gorham Normal School are spending their vacations at their respective homes.

Mrs. Florence Cushman was in Auburn a few days this week, the guest of her son, Robert Cushman, and wife.

Franklin Grange held its regular meeting, April 6, with W. M. Bennett Howe in the chair, a very interesting program was carried out. The next meeting will be on the evening.

BABE-STILES

Richard E. Babbs of Dixfield and Miss Ida C. Stiles of South Paris, were united in marriage in Portsmouth, N. H., at 2:30 Saturday afternoon by Rev. A. A. Bondy. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the officiating clergyman, pastor of the Congregational church in Portsmouth, the double ring service being used.

The bride couple were attended by Uncle Brown, and the bride's mother, Mrs. Christine Stiles, and her brother, Ralph Stiles of South Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Babbs left after the ceremony for a trip to New York and will be gone about a week. After their return they will make their home with the bride's mother at South Paris.

Mrs. Babbs is the daughter of Mrs. Christine Stiles and the late John E. Stiles of South Paris. She graduated from South Paris High School, and has been a very efficient clerk in the Paris Trust Co. and was stationed at that position. Mr. Babbs is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Babbs of Dixfield. He graduated from Dixfield High School, took a course in the New York Electrical School, and has since been engaged in telephone work.

BETHEL AUXILIARY OF RUMFORD HOSPITAL TO HOLD MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Bethel Ladies' Auxiliary of the Rumford Hospital at the home of Mrs. Catherine Hall Tuesday, April 16, from two to five P. M. An organ and cordial invitation is extended to all Bethel women who are interested. The meeting will consist of a talk on nursing and stitching. This is the last meeting of the season until October.

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TIME TABLE
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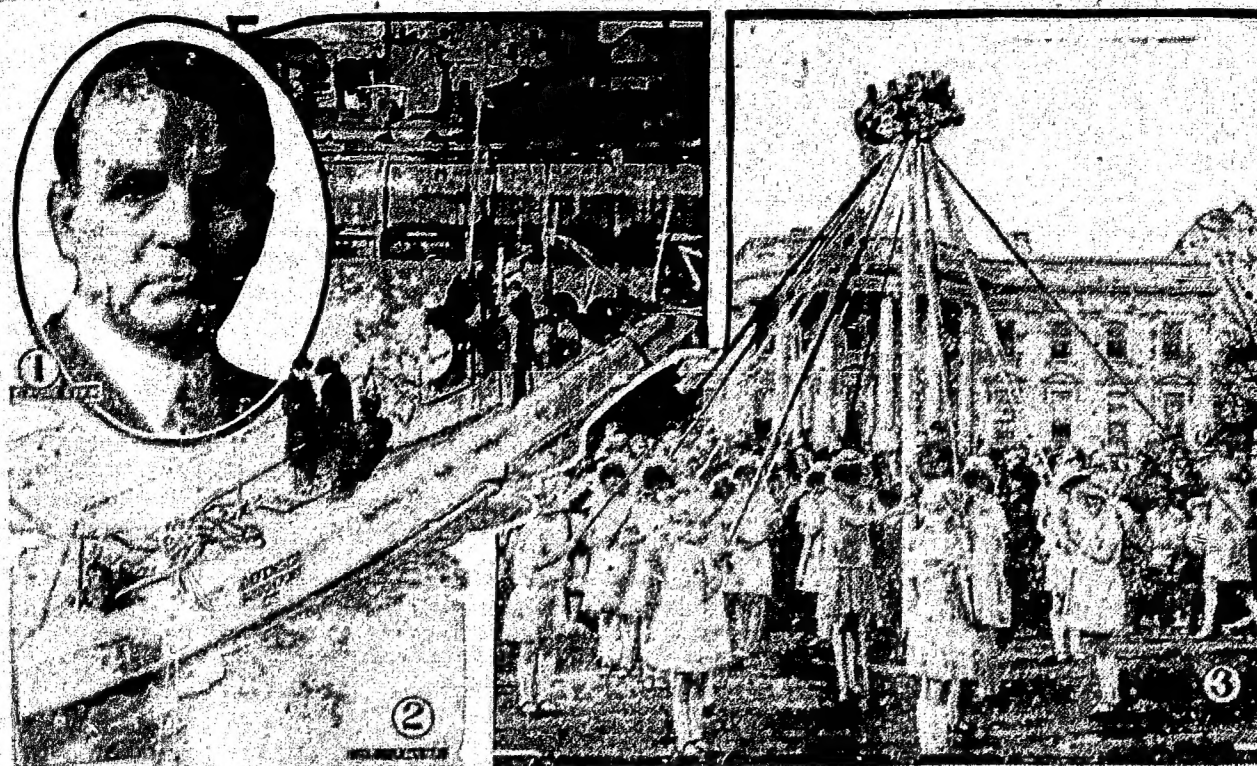
	Daily	Daily	Sun.
	A. M.	ex. Sun. only	P. M.
Island Pond	5:15	5:05	5:20
Berlin	7:05	6:45	6:25
Olney	7:44	7:20	6:55
Allen (W. Bethel)	7:54	7:30	7:05
BETHEL	8:01	7:42	7:12
Jerke's Mills	8:10	7:52	7:22
Bryant's Pond	8:19	8:00	7:31
Bates (W. Paris)	8:35	8:12	7:47
South Paris	8:53	8:28	8:05
Danville Jct.	10:05	9:38	9:10
Portland	11:06	10:35	10:05

WESTBOUND

	Daily	Daily	Sun.
	ex. Sun. only	A. M.	P. M.
Portland	7:29	7:20	6:25
Danville Jct.	8:11	8:11	6:30
South Paris	8:25	8:25	6:42
Bates (W. Paris)	8:29	8:29	6:49
Bryant's Pond	9:36	9:24	7:49
Jerke's Mills	9:43	9:30	8:11
BETHEL	9:51	9:39	8:23
Allen (W. Bethel)	10:01	9:46	8:31
Olney	10:14	9:59	8:43
Berlin	11:05	10:41	9:31
Island Pond	1:29	12:39	11:25

MICKIE SAYS—

IF WE HAD A REPORTER FOR EACH READER, WE COULD PRINT ALL THE NEWS ABOUT EVERYBODY BUT WE CAN'T BE EVERYWHERE AT ONCE, SO YOU CAN HELP US BY GIVING US ANY ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST ABOUT YOURSELF OR FAMILY



1—Roscoe C. Patterson, who succeeded James A. Reed as United States senator from Missouri. 2—Submarine Defender, which may be used by Capt. Sir Hubert Wilkins for his proposed undersea voyage to the North pole. 3—Girl Scouts doing a maypole dance on the White House grounds on Easter Monday, wearing flirty dresses instead of khaki.

NEWS REVIEW OF
CURRENT EVENTSMexican Rebels Beaten and
Slaughtered at Reforma;
Wisconsin Votes Wet.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

MEXICO'S revolution, or at least a great portion of it, was drowned in an ocean of blood last week, if federal statements are reliable. The rebel army of General Escobar, commander in chief of the movement, having been driven for miles by the troops of Gen. Juan Almazan, concentrated in the city of Jimenez, Chihuahua, and for several days fought desperately to hold the place. They were well entrenched and Almazan gives them credit for extreme bravery. But the assaults of the federal infantry, artillery, cavalry and air forces were too much for them and they withdrew from the city to Reforma, 12 miles away. General Serrato's cavalry, meanwhile, was hurried to the north of Reforma and there destroyed all the bridges and railways, and when Almazan's air scouts reported that the rebels could retreat no further, he ordered an attack in full force. Escobar and other rebel generals saw they were trapped and fled, leaving their infantry to fight alone. These men took refuge behind their troop trains and the battle there was described by Almazan as the bloodiest in years of Mexican history. Neither side asked or gave quarter and the slaughter was "tremendous." The rebel dead covered the battlefield, and many hundreds of their wounded fell into the hands of the federals.

The entire action, which began at Corralitos on March 31 and ended in the smashing victory at Reforma, was declared by the federal commander to be decisive. In his report to General Calles he praised highly the work of all branches of his army, and also paid a compliment to Escobar's military ability. In Sonora and other regions the rebels at last accounts, were still carrying on. The victors in raids over the federal fortifications at Naco created a lot of excitement by dropping two or three bombs on the American side of the international boundary, one of them injuring an American motion picture man. This and the possibility of similar incidents gave considerable concern to the State department in Washington. Mexican federal troops held at Fort Bliss, Texas, after their retreat across the border when the rebels captured Juarez, were ordered released by President Hoover at the request of the Mexican government.

PROHIBITION in its many ramifications is taking on a new place on the front page every day. Tuesday the voting population of Wisconsin went to the polls and by a majority of about 2 to 1 directed the state legislature to repeal the state dry enforcement laws and to remove the penalty on 275 per cent beer. The wet naturally were jubilant but the dry leaders were not dismayed and asserted that the referendum was "futile." They held that the dry carried a majority of the counties, and that the legislators were bound to follow the wishes of their constituents rather than of the state as a whole. Should both houses pass a repeal measure it would place Gov. Walter J. Kohler in a delicate position. He induced President Hoover's prescription of "concurrent enforcement of prohibition by states." If he should sign or veto the bill he would alienate either wet or dry backing.

CONGRESSMAN M. ALFRED MICHAELESON of Chicago, a pro-federal dry, who was indicted at Jacksonville, Fla. last October on charges of bringing a trunkful of liquor into the country from Cuba, surrendered to the federal authorities in Chicago and gave bond for his appearance for trial in Key West in May. He declined to be interviewed but denied the charges.

In the case of Congressman William M. Morgan of Ohio, also a dry and also involved in liquor charges, a peculiar situation has arisen. United

States Attorney Tullie of New York, investigating the story that Morgan brought four bottles of liquor from Panama, was told by the customs agents that the Ohioan admitted that the bottles were in his baggage but refused to open his trunks, demanding the right of free entry. This was granted him by Deputy Collector H. C. Stuart, who was not told of the presence of the booze. The agents said Morgan threatened to "raise hell in Washington" if his baggage was not passed without examination. Since the agents did not see the bottles and Mrs. Morgan, who was with her husband, cannot testify against him, it may be the only persons to suffer, if any, will be certain custom officials.

STUYVESANT FISH and some of his friends are exercised over the fact that his cruiser yacht was held up in New York harbor by enforcement agents and searched for contraband liquor. Mr. Fish said the boat was fired upon. No liquor was found on the vessel. Federal officials in New York after investigation declared the action of the enforcement men was entirely proper since the boat did not stop at their signals and the shots were fired high in the air.

MYRON T. HERRICK, American ambassador to Paris, died suddenly from heart failure, and all of France was thrown into deep mourning for he was beloved by the entire nation and was considered the best friend of France ever sent there by the United States. Officials of highest rank, and representatives of all countries hastened to the embassy with their condolences, the press was filled with articles lauding the dead ambassador, and the government at once arranged to give him an elaborate national funeral with full military honors—an unprecedented honor. After simple ceremonies in the American embassy, during which orations were delivered by Premier Poincaré, General Pershing and Quinones de Leon, Spanish ambassador to Paris, the cortège set out for the American cathedral. The pallbearers were: M. Poincaré, Foreign Minister Briand, Senor de Leon, General Pershing, J. Pierpont Morgan and Owen D. Young. The cortège was accompanied by two squadrons of republican guards, four platoons of infantry and representatives of all the official circles and American organizations in Paris, and the line of march was lined with infantry under the command of the military governor of Paris. After brief church services the body was taken to Rest by the embassy staff and there turned over to the French government which transferred it to the light cruiser Tourville as a salvo of 29 guns was fired. The cruiser was to bring Mr. Herrick's remains to the United States, being due in New York on April 12. Following a parallel course with it was the Aquitania, bearing Mrs. Parmely Herrick, the late ambassador's daughter-in-law.

SENATE and house committees were exceedingly busy formulating farm relief legislation for the extraordinary session of congress. Among these bills, the most important was Secretary of Agriculture Hyde, who said he was giving his personal views but when it was taken for granted, was expressing the ideas of President Hoover. He placed emphasis upon his belief that legislation should proceed without attempting to define its exact procedure. The board, he indicated, must be depended on to provide the real solution of the agricultural problem. In response to questions Mr. Hyde expressed the opinion that a board of seven would be less unwieldy than one of twelve, that bipartisan representation on the board was acceptable, but that he objected to geographic representation. He said the board should be within the Department of Agriculture instead of an entirely independent agency.

Some members of the committee exhibited an unfriendly spirit toward the administration's proposals, but Representative Ansell of Louisiana, Democrat, declared that the Hoover program would have his complete support.

VICE PRESIDENT CURTIS put up to Secretary of State Kellum a rather embarrassing problem. It is likely to be especially embarrassing to Mr. Curtis. As every one knows, he

is a widower, and he took to nursing his half-sister, Mrs. Edward G. Gann, to be the hostess of his establishment. Before Mr. Kellum assumed office his predecessor, Mr. Kellogg, after study of precedents, ruled that while Mrs. Gann might sit where she pleased at dinners given in the Vice President's home, she must be seated below the wives of ambassadors and ministers at official dinners where she and Mr. Curtis were guests. The Vice President informed the press last week that he had asked Secretary Stimson to overrule Mr. Kellogg's decision. If this request is refused, it is possible Mr. Curtis will decline to attend official dinners or other functions where Mrs. Gann is not accorded the rank he believes she should have. Of course social circles in the national capital are tremendously interested in the controversy.

FINANCIAL operations during March, according to a treasury statement, resulted in a reduction of the gross public debt by \$108,080,302; and the net balance of the general fund on March 31 was more than \$550,000,000 greater than a month before, funds thus being available for further reduction of government securities during April. The reduction of the public debt during the fiscal year ending June 30 next is expected to exceed \$700,000,000. Treasury officials and congressional leaders are agreed that it is too early to consider tax reductions, preferring to wait until it becomes certain that income tax revenues will maintain the present high level.

EMPLOYEES of the Lora cotton mill at Gastonia, N. C., are on strike and last week they became so demonstrative that the police became alarmed and called on the governor for help. Several units of the state National Guard were ordered to the town and the disorders were quelled. A committee of strikers called on J. A. Baugh, general manager of the mill, and presented a series of demands, including a forty-hour, five-day working week, a minimum wage of \$20 weekly, and changes in working conditions. Mr. Baugh rejected the demands. Half a dozen textile mills in South Carolina are closed as a result of strikes.

The Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers have started a nation-wide campaign for a six-hour day to combat unemployment. Their opening meetings were held in Faneuil hall, Boston. Timothy Shea, assistant president of the engineers, told them that they must go to congress for a bill of rights to "protect men who are being cast into the junk heap." Contemplated railway consolidation plans, he said, meant that their union alone would have at least 20,000 more men out of jobs. A series of regional meetings throughout the country was planned.

AMANULLAH KHAN, former king of Afghanistan, began last week the drive by which he hopes to regain the throne he relinquished. With 30,000 soldiers he marched on Kabul and there were vague reports of heavy fighting with the troops of Bacha Saqan, the self-made king. Amanullah's forces were said to be armed with Russian rifles and ammunition, which was taken to mean that the Soviet government had interested itself in his behalf. Prince Omar Khan, member of the Afghan royal family, who recently escaped confinement in Allahabad, is reported as likely to take the field against Amanullah, supporting his own claim to the throne.

GUANCELLOR SEIPER, who for six years has managed the affairs of the Austrian republic, has resigned, together with his cabinet which was made up of men from the Christian Socialist party. Opposition to Doctor Seiper had been increasing since the great riots of July, 1927. He said he could have continued to resist criticism as a government official, but that he could not hold his office in the face of opposition to him personally as a priest. The church, he said, was his chief concern.

Poland also had a cabinet crisis for the government of Premier Kazimierz Bartel resigned because the government and parliament failed to cooperate. Marshal Pilsudski appeared to dominate the situation.

NOTICE
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the estate of Solomon Westleigh late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

THOMAS E. WESTLEIGH,
March 21st, 1929. West Bethel, Maine 51

NOTICE
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the estate of Bertha May Penase late of Upton in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

SILAS F. PRASLEE,
March 21, 1929 Upton, Maine 52

THE FRANKLIN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Charles L. Tynor, President

Harold V. Smith, Secretary

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Real Estate, \$107,120.52

Stocks and Bonds, 10,587,000.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 1,110,821.92

Agents' Balances, 904,785.25

Interest and Rents, 110,616.00

Gross Assets, \$12,946,433.69

Admitted, \$12,946,433.69

LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928

Net Unpaid Losses, \$929,445.00

Unearned Premiums, \$5,025,507.00

All other Liabilities, 1,918,541.86

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 4,074,941.83

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$12,946,433.69

THE HOME INSURANCE COMPANY

Chas. L. Tynor, Pres't, Vincent P. Wynt, Sec'y

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Stocks and Bonds, \$82,020,018.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 10,508,221.72

Agents' Balances, 5,880,437.86

Interest and Rents, 687,080.00

All other Assets, 691,975.00

Gross Assets, \$102,797,291.58

Admitted, \$102,797,291.58

LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928

Net Unpaid Losses, \$6,715,066.00

Unearned Premiums, 30,830,734.00

All other Liabilities, 8,427,112.15

Cash Capital, 18,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 28,819,779.43

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$102,797,291.58

U. S. BRANCH, SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Stocks and Bonds, \$5,739,033.15

Cash in Office and Bank, 561,178.38

Agents' Balances, 979,459.96

Interest and Rents, 72,101.37

All other Assets, 52,200.07

Gross Assets, \$8,344,103.91

Deduct items not admitted, 53,308.62

Admitted, \$8,344,103.91

LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928

Net Unpaid Losses, \$8,404,031.00

Unearned Premiums, 4,611,786.03

All other Liabilities, 289,333.79

Statutory Deposit, 400,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,330,054.47

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$8,344,103.91

The Home Agency, Rumford, Maine

CITY OF NEW YORK INSURANCE COMPANY

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Mortgage Loans, \$56,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 5,720,982.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 806,028.00

Agents' Balances, 445,326.80

Bills Receivable, 531.13

Interest and Rents, 42,989.00

All other Assets, 82,411.00

Gross Assets, \$7,244,958.19

Deduct items not admitted, 17,362.90

Admitted, \$7,227,595.29

LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928

Net Unpaid Losses, \$454,911.00

Unearned Premiums, 2,608,642.00

All other Liabilities, 601,409.87

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,542,632.92

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$7,227,595.29

GALEDONIAN INSURANCE COMPANY

of Edinburgh, Scotland

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Stocks and Bonds, \$3,917,992.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 227,372.17

Agents' Balances, 602,318.76

Interest and Rents, 42,919.50

All other Assets, 7,361.69

Gross Assets, \$4,798,064.21

Deduct items not admitted, 109,720.03

Admitted, \$4,688,344.18

LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928

Net Unpaid Losses, \$281,000.00

Unearned Premiums, 1,722,800.46

All other Liabilities, 143,456.02

Cash Capital (Statutory Deposit), 200,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,340,388.07

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$4,688,344.18

GALEDONIAN-AMERICAN INS. CO. OF NEW YORK

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Stocks and Bonds, \$1,007,450.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 37,248.54

Agents' Balances, 88,407.74

Interest and Rents, 11,893.31

All other Assets, 9,150.46

Gross Assets, \$1,154,074.05

Deduct items not admitted, 8,696.83

Admitted, \$1,145,377.22

LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928

Net Unpaid Losses, 24,181.72

Unearned Premiums, 377,219.72

All other Liabilities, 25,425.68

Cash Capital, 200,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 518,550.10

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,145,377.22

BRITISH AMERICA ASSURANCE COMPANY

Toronto, Canada

New York Office, 110 William Street

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Stocks and Bonds, \$3,137,462.97

Cash in Office and Bank, 500,284.00

Agents' Balances, 201,512.92

Interest and Rents, 14,242.28

Gross Assets, \$3,963,502.23

Deduct items not admitted, 217.27

Admitted, \$3,963,285.06

LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928

Net Unpaid Losses, \$898,784.00

Unearned Premiums, 1,794,270.74

All other Liabilities, 100,015.54

Cash Capital, 200,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,461,215.88

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,963,285.06

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THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1929

NORTH NORWAY

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Upton, who spent the winter with Mr. Upton's father, Olin Upton, on Upton Ridge, have returned to their home at Noble's Corner.

Guy Curtis, who has been in poor health for several weeks, is visiting relatives in West Paris.

C. D. Morse and son, Everett, saved E. T. Jenkins' wood last week.

Miss Christina Twichell of Fore Street, Oxford, called on her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Jenkins, for a short time last Friday.

Elmer Hussey of Providence, R. I., is at his home here for a week's vacation.

J. C. Heath has been trimming apple trees for Will Delano.

Millie Morse who spent the past week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Morse, returned to her home in the village Monday.

Fred Dunn was in the neighborhood Monday taking valuation.

School at Swift's Corner is again in session after a week's vacation.

Miss Christina Twichell of Oxford visited a few days last week at Irving Brown's, Norway Center.

The TOWN DOCTOR

(The Doctor of Towns)

SAYS—

HOW DO THE LITTLE BIRDS KNOW WHEN 'IT AIN'T GONNA RAIN NO MORE?'

One day last summer I sat out on the lake front watching the play of both young and old, when a storm came up.

The wind blew out and the people flew in and the rain came down in torrents. Lightning flicked wickedly over the water and the waves rolled to shore with adornment.

It was very apparent where the people went. I did not note where the birds, but this I saw: the flies we all so detest, and other such living flying things, took refuge under the visor of my windshield. They were not blown there, for the wind was in the opposite direction—they came there.

Then the birds came out, and immediately it stopped raining.

Who told the birds that the rain would cease—what guided the flies to an automobile?

Call it God—nature, if you like—or instinct may suit your pleasure; but call it what you may, who can sit at the water's edge in a raging storm, watching man and bird and insect and say there is no great Master Mind? Where is the man who thinks his powers of such import that he can match the gift that tells a little bird that "it ain't gonna rain no more"?

Country man, go to the city; city man go to the wide open spaces, and there learn your insignificance. As big as you think you are, the greater man you'll be when you recognize your littleness by comparison.

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New Camphor Source

A native source for camphor, important in both medicine and manufacturing, has been discovered in a species of wormwood that grows on the sandy steppes of the government of Astrakhan, Russia. An oil extracted from this plant has been subjected to experiments at the Saratov experiment station, and was found to yield a good quality of camphor. The crystals differ in their physical properties from those of camphor obtained from camphor trees, but chemically they are identical with it.

NORTHWEST BETHEL

A sugar party was given the school children and Miss Skillings at Elmer Stearns' sugar house last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Brown of Norway spent the week end at Frank Brown's.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Skillings are visiting in Harvard, Mass., this week.

Mrs. Belle Bennett visited her son, Henry Bennett, and family last week. Warren Brown is home from Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Thomas of Rumford spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chapman.

Howe Hill, Locke Mills

Jesse Akers is working at the E. L. Tabbeta's wool mill at the village.

Willard Bennett is on the sick list. A meadow hen was seen here recently.

Several from this locality were vaccinated by Dr. Kay, the health officer, when he was at the school to vaccinate the school children.

Edith Cross was the overnight guest of her sister, Mrs. Carlton Lapham, Locke's Mills, one night recently.

Mrs. Hilda Clark is keeping house for Harvey Norton.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Swan and family recently visited Mrs. Swan's brother, Keith Field, and family of Rumford.

Walter Valentine of Bethel was in this vicinity recently.

Linda Merrill of East Bethel is staying at T. L. Downs'.

Harvey Littlefield was here taking valuation recently.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Downs, Mrs. Albert Baker and daughter were in Bethel Wednesday.

A. L. Swan attended theyster supper and meeting of the Mt. Abram Fish and Game Association Wednesday, Apr. 3.

T. L. Downs' driving horse is sick.

Maine Weekly Industrial Review

Government appropriated \$20,000 for erection of post office building in Brunswick.

Brighton \$12,500 addition will be erected to local high school building.

Fort Fairfield—New lacquet hall established on fourth floor of Plymouth Hotel.

Bathway Harbor—Fred Cook Marine Construction Company's plant working at capacity.

Belfast—Site purchased by New England Tel. & Tel. Company for erection of new office building in near future.

Augusta—Out of State investment in Maine increased from 300 to 400 per cent in last eight years.

Brunswick—Pleasant Street Methodist Episcopal Church improved recently.

Livermore recently appropriated \$2,500 for enlarging Riverside School.

Plan progressing for erection of State-owned toll bridge over Kennebec River between Richmond and Dresden.

Bath—Plans under consideration for erection of new school building.

Harpswell Center recently appropriated \$49,349 for public improvements.

Newport voted to purchase new pump-out and fire alarm system.

Orlando Liberty, Inc., organized in Portland to engage in general grocery business.

In 1928 one dollar out of every eight that was earned went into taxes.—La Belle Extension University Business Bulletin.

Christian Symbol in Old Turkish Mosque

A beautiful mosaic of the Virgin Mary has been found in a Turkish mosque in Constantinople. For 600 years it had been hidden under whitewash.

The workmen who were replastering the interior of the mosque reported the finding of gold which they had uncovered to the religious authorities, who notified the National museum whose experts were sent at once to complete the uncovering of the mosaic. Once disclosed in all its glory of form and color, the next step was to ask Angora what to do about this picture of the mother of Christ dead on her bier surrounded by saints and angels high on the wall of a Moslem mosque.

Angora, seat of revolutionary Turkey, replied that the mosaic was to remain where it was and was to be preserved with the utmost care.

Thus for the first time in history Moslems worship beneath the shadow of images, the representative of which has for centuries been absolutely prohibited by the Moslem religion.

Watch That "Pleasured Out" Stopped Leslie

Little Leslie Luckboy had been given a beautiful watch—which, by the way, was his first—as a Christmas present.

Funnily enough, he did not seem very excited about it, and managed to restrain his enthusiasm in a very guarded manner. However, he went out to a party, and returned in tremendous spirits, exclaiming:

"I've got a ripping watch!"

"I'm so glad you like it," said his mother, duly pleased at his joy which up to now he had concealed.

"Yes," he continued, "it's half an hour ahead of Lew's watch, and it's a whole hour ahead of the church clock. It beats them all!"—London Answers.

No Use for Them

"No," said the sunburned farmer, "you won't do any business here, me lad. I've finished with labor-saving machines. I don't hold with 'em."

The young traveler could not help but smile.

"Look here," continued the farmer, pointing to a typewriter, "take a look at that. That's a writin' machine my wife spent all her savings on 'cos I ain't very handy w' the pen."

"What's the matter with it?"

"Matter!" exclaimed the farmer. "Why, nobody can write their blinks name with it unless they can play a church organ!"—London Answers.

Variation of "Quoits"

The game of horseshoes is based on quoits, which is a pastime resembling the ancient discus-throwing of Greece. Few traces of a game resembling quoits can be found on the continent of Europe and its origin may be sought for on the borderlands of Scotland and England. There are references to it in the Midlands, dating from the beginning of the fifteenth century. Ansham, in his Toxophilus (1545), refers to the game as being played chiefly by the working classes, who often used horseshoes for want of quoits, a custom still prevailing in country districts.

Determining Mental Age

Mental age is most accurately based upon the individual Terman Binet test of intelligence. A child is said to have a mental age of ten years, for example, when he passes the tests on the Terman Binet scale which, it has been found, are passed by a majority of normal ten-year-old children. Terman defines mental age as follows: "By a given mental age we mean that degree of general mental ability as is possessed by the average child of corresponding chronological age."

A Wee Bit Tune

A millionaire who wrote a rather illegible hand took a "place" in the north of Scotland. One night before retiring he sent the head keeper detailed written instructions for the morning.

Next morning he was awakened very early by the persistent skirling of bagpipes beneath his window. Summoning his man-servant, he asked:

"What's that racket?"

"Oh," said the man, "that's Donald, the keeper, playing that wee bit tune ye sent him last night."

Wit of Conversation

The wit of conversation consists more in finding it in others, than in showing a great deal yourself. He who goes out of your company, pleased with his own facetiousness and ingenuity, will the sooner come into it again. Most men had rather please than admire you, and seek less to be instructed and diverted than approved and applauded, and it is certainly the most delicate sort of pleasure, to please another.—Franklin.

Returned With Thanks

A man sent a small boy to deliver a note to a young woman who lived a few streets away. He gave the boy a nickel so that he would hurry.

After a short time the messenger came back, and, returning the money, said:

"Miss Jones says she will be glad to see you tonight, but she didn't want the nickel!"

Commuter Would Like Help in His Dilemma

His breakfast hadn't agreed with him, he had lost at bridge the night before and he had to run for the 8:05. As he hadn't finished his usual cigarette on the way to the station, he stood on the platform to finish it. The train started and just as it was gaining speed, a girl tried to hop to the last step. She missed the step and was hanging on, when the commuter grabbed her and pulled her up to the step.

He expected, after the girl composed herself, a smile of gratitude or at least a few words of thanks. He did not expect the torrent of abuse which she hurled at his head.

"If it hadn't been for you," she raved, "I would have pulled myself up and wouldn't have lost my new opera pump."

The commuter, stunned, found his way to a seat and wasn't made up his mind yet whether to help women in distress or let them—help themselves.—New York Sun.

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CAMDEN FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION

Camden, N. J.
ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Real Estate, \$225,000.00
 Mortgage Loans, 1,091,752.50
 Stocks and Bonds, 107,500.00
 Cash in Office and Bank, 475,888.88
 Agents' Balances, 882,082.10
 Bills Receivable, 7,815.11
 Interest and Rents, 80,704.42
 All other Assets, 7,032.50

Gross Assets, \$1,820,450.77
 Deduct items not admitted, 17,882.02

Admitted, \$13,502,577.75
LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Net Unpaid Losses, \$707,840.70
 Unearned Premiums, 6,320,040.92
 All other Liabilities, 395,457.40
 Cash Capital, 2,000,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, \$4,812,238.73
 Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$13,502,577.75

GENERAL ACCIDENT FIRE & LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD.

Fourth & Walnut Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.
ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Real Estate, \$1,025,000.00
 Mortgage Loans, 21,300.00
 Stocks and Bonds, 16,191,315.50
 Cash in Office and Bank, 1,254,011.53
 Agents' Balances, 4,108,753.02
 Interest and Rents, 171,888.02
 All other Assets, 42,579.03

Gross Assets, \$22,315,248.54
 Deduct items not admitted, 365,051.16

Admitted, \$22,450,197.08
LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Net Unpaid Losses, \$9,850,714.39
 Unearned Premiums, 7,092,700.55
 Including Voluntary Reserve, 800,000.00
 All other Liabilities, 1,822,930.60
 Cash Capital, 500,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, \$3,183,851.54
 Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$22,450,197.08

FIRE ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Real Estate, \$1,181,680.37
 Mortgage Loans, 3,999,334.10
 Collateral Loans, 3,001,400.00
 Stocks and Bonds, 18,520,701.41
 Cash in Office and Bank, 2,209,620.30
 Agents' Balances, 1,701,216.70
 Interest and Rents, 280,593.60
 All other Assets, 338,471.80

Gross Assets, \$31,378,980.61
 Deduct items not admitted, 60,570.54

Admitted, \$31,318,410.07
LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,433,099.25
 Unearned Premiums, 11,078,065.52
 All other Liabilities, 1,433,825.10
 Cash Capital, 5,500,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, \$11,868,410.80
 Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$31,318,410.07

FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY

Newark, N. J.
ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Real Estate, \$13,300,000.00
 Mortgage Loans, 1,915,625.00
 Stocks and Bonds, 46,500,010.25
 Cash in Office and Bank, 1,625,515.49
 Agents' Balances, 2,408,019.43
 Bills Receivable, 34,170.62
 Interest and Rents, 316,347.25
 All other Assets, 131,360.69

Gross Assets, \$55,252,009.04
 Deduct items not admitted, 187,233.61

Admitted, \$55,064,775.43
LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,301,074.18
 Unearned Premiums, 15,815,690.40
 All other Liabilities, 1,315,475.25
 Cash Capital, 13,500,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, \$23,963,126.44
 Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$55,064,775.43

THE CONNECTICUT FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Hartford, Conn.
ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Real Estate, \$10,372.02
 Mortgage Loans, 401,500.00
 Stocks and Bonds, 12,320,941.00
 Cash in Office and Bank, 1,326,206.46
 Agents' Balances, 1,177,251.51
 Bills Receivable, 49,443.32
 Interest and Rents, 164,290.24
 All other Assets, 74,111.69

Gross Assets, \$19,191,317.15
 Deduct items not admitted, 99,013.13

Admitted Assets, \$19,092,304.02
LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,007,480.51
 Unearned Premiums, 7,636,723.73
 All other Liabilities, 1,258,577.43
 Cash Capital, 2,690,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, 7,190,502.86
 Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$19,092,304.02

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Norway, Maine

THE CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY

80 Maiden Lane, New York
ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Real Estate, \$1,701,524.81
 Mortgage Loans, 12,500.00
 Stocks and Bonds, \$3,480,340.20
 Net Value Dec. 31, 1928, \$3,329,186.44
 Cash in Office and Bank, 3,790,288.73
 Agents' Balances, 367,901.40
 Bills Receivable, 289,500.71
 Interest and Rents, 367,901.40

Gross Assets, \$91,243,360.54
 Deduct items not admitted, 287,980.47

Admitted, \$91,055,380.11
LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1928
 Net Unpaid Losses, \$3,918,663.09
 Unearned Premiums, 27,063,150.74
 All other Liabilities, 9,531,034.40
 Cash Capital, 15,000,000.00
 Surplus over all Liabilities, \$37,109,650.28
 Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$91,055,380.11

STUART W. GOODWIN, Agent

Norway, Maine

County News

EAST STONEHAM

Mrs. John Adams, who has been working at Henry Trimback's, returned to her home April 8th.

The Circle Supper entertained by the men was well attended. There will be another supper Thursday evening followed by "movies" featuring Jackie Coogan in "Buttons."

Melvin Bartlett, who has been in Pittsfield, N. H., the past winter, is at his home here. In a short time Mrs. Bartlett and baby Melvin will return. Maurice Bicknell has returned home after spending the winter with his daughter, Mrs. Wallace Elliott, at No. Waterford.

Fore Street, Oxford

Wallace Lovejoy of Oxford village visited his brother, Alvin, one day last week, helping him in his hot house. Making boxes was the order of the day. Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Cummings of Paris were recent callers at E. E. Twitchell's, also J. P. Edwards' of Norway.

Mrs. E. E. Twitchell and sister, Flora Cummings, also Mrs. A. O. Twitchell, attended an all day mission meeting at Bessie Treblecock's, Oxford village, last Friday. Making aprons was their work. Herman Thulow of Norway has been at E. E. Twitchell's several days, helping on wood pile and other small jobs. He attended church with them Sunday at Oxford.

School has begun after a three weeks vacation. The same teacher is here for another term but while away changed her name, so we have no Miss Patterson now.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Twitchell entertained all of their children last Sunday. Harry and family of Norway, also Percy and family of Norway, and their daughter, Mrs. Alfred Daniels of Paris Hill.

Ernest Mattor is helping Leon Twitchell with his spring work on the farm.

We will all be glad to welcome back the Wilson ladies in their summer home, also the Clark's.

NORTH PARIS

The schools have closed for one week's vacation. Miss Aubine Crandlemore is spending the week with her parents at Vanhook and Miss Freda Colby at South Paris.

Friday afternoon the Benson School Improvement League held a public meeting to which all the parents were invited. After the business meeting a short program was given by the primary school consisting of songs, recitations, dialogues and a treat in silent reading which was much enjoyed by those present. Parents might to avail themselves of the opportunity of visiting school frequently so to become familiar with the new methods that are being used in school whereby a child is able to understand his work so much better than in years gone past.

The Women's Division of the Farm Bureau held their April meeting Thursday, April 10th, at Community Hall. The subject was Clothing Construction III. Miss Spaulding, state clothing specialist, and Miss Effie Braden, H. D. A., were present. Owing to a misunderstanding Miss Spaulding went to Back Hill and was unable to reach here until after dinner. The work expected to be accomplished in the forenoon was done in the afternoon, leaving only time for Miss Spaulding to demonstrate the cutting of one dress. The third square meal for health was served at noon, consisting of salmon scallop, baked potato and cream, creamed cabbage, dark bread and butter, mock Indian pudding with whipped cream and coffee. Eight members now have foundation patterns all finished and each have designed a paper pattern. Mrs. Lewis Abbott gave an interesting account of her stay at the U. of M. Farm and Home week. The next meeting will be May 3 and the subject will be Home Farming. The H. D. A., Miss Effie Braden will be present and will not be with us again until Oct. 23. Let us have a good attendance.

Mrs. Bertha Johnson of Winthrop, Kansas is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Hart and brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Martha Martin was called to Norway Saturday by the serious illness of her brother, Dan T. Smith.

Mrs. George Blake and son Everett returned to her home in Berlin Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmendoll have moved over to William Stearns' on Stearns Hill where they both have employment.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ellingwood were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Gals.

These home from their work over the week end were Miss Doris Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Wheeler, James Gibbs, Gordon and Lawrence Abbott.

Richard Curtis has finished work for Alfred Morrill in Stoner and has gone to Hartford to work for Vernon Kimball.

MIDDLE INTERVALE

School began Monday morning after two weeks vacation.

Ernest Morrisette is working for Marshall Hastings at Gilead for a few days.

Wilma and Marguerite Hall visited at O. A. Buck's last week.

Walter Balentine is working at the village doing carpenter work for Mr. Gibbs.

Roger Bartlett and Augustus Carter are working at the Inn and boarding at Irving French's in the village.

Clarence Annis, who has been working at O. A. Buck's, was taken to his home at the village Thursday, and is very ill of heart trouble.

Helen and Margaret Carter, Elmo Wheeler and Frances King spent Wednesday with Rebecca Carter, having their first picnic dinner out of doors.

NORTH WATERFORD

Our barber, Will Ray, and family who have been spending the winter at Norway, have returned home.

Merline and Edith Littlefield and Winola Kilgore, who are attending Gould Academy, Bethel, returned Monday afternoon after a week's recess at their homes here.

Herman Holt is sawing wood with his gasoline engine. Ernest Grover is helping him.

Willis Littlefield and three friends went to Lewiston Saturday.

The funeral of Lillian Flint was held here at the church Thursday, 2 P. M. Rev. W. L. Bull officiated. She passed away at Hartford, Conn., in a hospital where she had been for three months. Burial was at Bismectown cemetery.

The many friends are sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. George Holt and daughter, Betty. They are to move to Sanford as Mr. Holt has a nice position on a poultry farm.

Marion Rowe and mother have returned from their visit.

Rev. B. F. Wentworth went to Massachusetts and brought home his little daughter, Dorothy, as his wife is still in the Rest Home at Bedford, Mass.

Quite a good attendance at the benefit dance for Walter Lord and family Saturday night.

James Kittredge is some better, as he is up around in his wheel chair.

Antio B. Hazleton is still taking catarrhic treatment at Norway every week, for twelve weeks already. She is slowly improving.

The annual meeting of North Waterford Community Association was held Saturday evening. The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President, W. A. Hickey; Vice President, C. L. Kimball; Secretary, Iva Day; Treasurer, Earl Little. A representative group, under whose leadership worth while things should be accomplished. A committee on Education was appointed, consisting of Mrs. E. E. Cheever, Mrs. C. A. Hickey and Elmer Henley.

A meeting of men to be held for Saturday night of this week at Lillian's blacksmith shop to consider the subject of the protection. It is hoped every man in the village and vicinity will be present as this is a subject of vital importance.

NORTH LOVELL

John Palmer, Hester McKeen and Harry Andrews have returned to their studies at Gould Academy and Norway High after having spent the Easter vacation at their homes here.

Mrs. Guy Parker is recovering from her very severe illness which began with measles.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wentworth took supper and spent a very pleasant evening with Mr. and Mrs. Anna McKeen and family, Saturday, April 6th.

Clinton Miliken and assistants have finished work on H. H. McKeen's store. It has been made very attractive as well as much more convenient.

Woodward Scribner is assisting Freeman McKeen with his work at the Melrose Farm.

Mrs. Knox Blackford and children are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. McKeen.

Orington Howe of the board of selectmen was in town the past week working on taking valuation.

Friends and relatives were called to hear of the death of Miss Lillian Flint of Hartford, Conn. She was born in Albany, Me., the daughter of Orrin Flint, and lived there in early life. The funeral was at North Waterford and burial in Bismectown.

A meeting of the Farm Bureau was held April 8th. Sisters were shown in the forenoon and dinner served at the Grange Hall. In the afternoon a session was held in the school house.

Leland Wilson is unable to drive the stage as he is confined to the home with measles.

Fred Mason, Mrs. Daisy Chamberlain and Boston were Sunday callers at Anna McKeen's.

Miss Charlotte Leavitt has been in Portland the past week.

High Street, West Paris

Chas. S. Marshall has been ill again with the grippe. Mrs. Sadie Allen has been caring for him.

Herman McKeen sawed Erion Whitman's woodpile last week.

Marian Hill is better and back at school after an absence of four weeks. A number in this neighborhood are being vaccinated on account of the small pox scare.

Howard Hill is ill with sore throat. Elmer Ingalls has gone to Portland for a few days.

Winona Sanborn visited her aunt, Martha Sanborn, last week.

Mrs. Will Whitman fell while papering and hurt her shoulder quite badly. Fred Waterhouse is painting and papering at Chas. Marshall's.

Kusti Korhonen's little girl is still sick with abscesses in ear and throat. Chas. Stetson and family were callers at Will Whitman's Sunday.

The community is saddened to hear of the death of Mrs. James Combella.

EAST BETHEL

Porter Farwell, who spent his 72nd birthday at Guy Bartlett's, sawing wood, was much surprised and pleased to be entered for dinner to discover he had been remembered with a nice birthday cake which was decorated with his name, date of birth and present date.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Swan and children are spending a few weeks in Bethel the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Mason and other relatives.

The Men's Division of the Farm Bureau held a meeting Tuesday, April 10.

Miss Esther Holt and Miss Iva Bartlett have returned to their school at Gould Academy.

Miss Geraldine Valentine of Bethel has been spending a few days at Herbert Blake's.

Schools have opened here again after a two weeks vacation.

John Howe is busy taking the inventory.

Mrs. Edna B. Bean has returned to her teaching at Rumford after spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Carlos Bartlett.

Miss Iva Harrington is at Bethel helping Mrs. Wallace Coolidge.

NORTH NEWRY

George and Willard Wight were in Augusta a few days last week, visiting their uncle, L. E. Wight.

Mrs. Harthy Hanson took her son, Roger, to Rumford Tuesday of last week, where he had his tonsils removed.

Mrs. Francis Vail, who has been assisting her mother for the past two weeks, has returned to North Waterford with her husband. They have a rent and are keeping house.

Chester Harger was home over the week end.

Ransom Morse returned to Stephens High School, Rumford, Sunday, after spending two weeks at her home.

The school at Bethel and Branch will begin Monday, April 15.

Daniel Wight spent his vacation at Augusta with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight.

Herbert Morton has a new working on the road. The mail through town has been a good one. Only one place near P. W. Wight's still remains bad.

Catherine, the baby of a new baby, Mrs. P. W. Wight, was born last week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Wight visited his brother, Arthur, at Lewiston Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Morton were in Rumford Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Wight and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wight were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight at Augusta Thursday and Friday. While in Augusta they attended the Friday morning session of the conference and had the pleasure of meeting Governor Gardner. Mr. Wight was pleased to meet Mr. Robin who is on the Governor's staff and was in Mr. Wight's battery in the World War.

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Llewellyn Buck, Jr., sawed George Davis' wood last Monday and Tuesday with his truck.

Hershel Merrill has moved his family to North Bridgton. Mr. Merrill is going to work for J. G. Chadbourne.

Mrs. Llewellyn A. Buck and daughter, Kathleen, spent Friday with Mrs. Buck's mother, Jennie Billings.

Cora Millett returned home Wednesday night, after spending the winter with her oldest daughter, Nancy Lord, of Boston.

Clinton Buck has a sick horse.

Clara Jackson spent part of her vacation from her school at Rumford with friends in Portland and Boston.

Phil and Laurence Clifford spent their school vacation with Mr. and Francis Lapham.

James Brown of Lewiston was a Sunday caller of his sister, Mildred Buck.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Morse of South Paris were at their place here Sunday.

Harry Poland is soon to go to work for Edgar Davis of Woodstock.

Mrs. Edith Jackson, Basha Ackley,

Cora Millett, Mary Thompson and Mrs. Thorton all went to Farm Bureau.

Urban Buck spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Buck.

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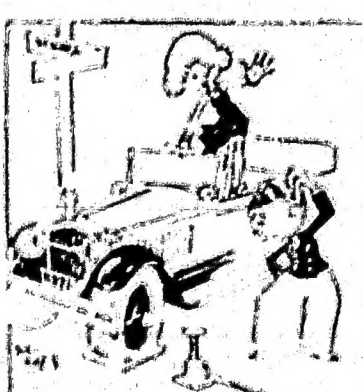
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BETHEL,

MAINE

FLASH

THE LEAD DOG

By
George Marsh



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Cautionously, with ax poised for a quick blow, he moved in on his shoes, measuring with his eyes the length of the chain on the snow when straightened by the leap of the trapped beast. But the carcass did not spring and thus open himself to the blow from the menacing ax. Instead, his smoldering red eyes followed the circling Brock, his body slowly pivoting to face his enemy.

Again and again Brock tried to lure the beast to leap to the end of the chain, within range of the poised ax, but with uncanny instinct the wolverine refused to spring.

Provoked at his failure, Brock turned to get his gun from the sled and, with the risk of injuring the pole, shot the brute, when he had an idea.

"By golly! I'll poke him into it with a stick!" he cried, with a doubtful look at the plunging Flash struggling to free himself from the rawhide which he had to a neighboring tree. So, cutting and tumbling a sapling, Brock again approached the fifty pounds of living dynamite, that watched him, head lowered, lips curled in a red snarl.

With a cough of rage the carcass crumpled the extended pole in his jaws, and with a twist of his head tore away a foot of the spruce stick. "Mad, eh?" teased Brock, thrilled with the excitement of baiting the most savage denizen of the forest. "I'll make you jump yet!" And the boy fiercely prodded the hairy body.

With a scream the infuriated beast stiffened and sprang into the air, dropping his pole, Brock leaped back behind the radius of the chain. As he did, the dead chain jerked the wolverine to the snow. Stepping in, Brock swung the lifted ax, but again the beast leapt the snow, and ax and hairy body met in mid air with a thud.

As the boy struck again, the carcass again leaped, tearing his hind foot free of the trap while the ax head buried itself deep in the snow. Springing back, Brock shielded his head with crossed left arm as the mad beast hurled himself upon him. The shoulder and back of the skin capote were slashed like cloth, as the long shining knife of the razor toothed teeth gripped the back of the skin capote while razor-like claws ripped the hide to ribbons. Then, a great body catapulted into battling carcass, bay, hurling them to the snow.

Struggling to his knees, free of his enemy, with snarled knife blade aimed for a thrust, Brock stared at the battle in the snow beside him. In a blurred vision of slate gray and brown, snarling their fangs on they fought to the death, thrashed the husky and the wounded carcass hampered by the snapped trace, collar and belly band of the harness though he was, the charging dog had found his mark as he wove to the side of his master. Straight to their goal the great canines of Flash had driven through the thick creek masses of the wolverine. Desperately the beast, weakened from the knife thrusts, writhed and twisted to reach the husky with the flying claws of his claws. But the tusks of Flash, seeking the spine behind the skull, never lost their conquering grip as they knifed their way to their goal.

Neck clamped from the rear in the vise of the husky's tusks, his cruel paws snapping helplessly on air as he coughed his fate, the wolverine fought to reach his enemy with his feet but as he squirmed to slice the great body, always with a wrench, Flash threw him and kept to the beast's back, thus avoiding the slash of the claws.

Then, as the excited Brock hung over the battle in the snow with

poised knife, the rust-brown body suddenly ceased to writhe, the blood-slashed jaws gaped widely in a red grimace, the great forefoot, with their knives of claws reached out in a last quivering snatch at the air.

The long tongue of the Carcass had wrenched through to their mark. The spine of the carcass was broken.

"Give it to him, Flash!" gasped Brock, suspicious, doubtful of what he saw. "Give it to him, boy!"

Lifting the head of the brute, his teeth still locked, Flash shook him with great wrenches of his iron neck. Satisfied, with a low rumble, he fiercely nuzzled his stiffening enemy. Then with the dead brute between his forelegs, Flash proudly lifted his slant eyes to the master.

"You killed him, boy!" cried Brock, proudly. "You broke his neck—a carcass's neck—and not a bad slash on you! By the great horned owl, you're a wonder!"

Then, in the custom of his kind, the conquering dog raised his head in victory over the body of his foe, in long drawn howls that waked the silent forest.

Throwing off his tattered coat, Brock examined his ripped duffle shirt and the scratches on arms and back.

"Flash!" he cried, "we're two lucky birds! That deer skin was too tough, I'm hardly more than scratched. I got him with that first stab—close to the heart—took the fire out of him, I guess." Brock leaned over and examined the thrusts in the body of the dead carcass.

"Yes," he added. "And one hind foot was ruined by the trap. If he had had a fair chance to get a purchase with his teeth in my shoulder, he would have slashed my old hide to pieces, boy."

Luckily for Brock the wolverine had hung on his shoulder and side barely an instant—the first snap of his jaws, owing to the thick skin coat, only breaking the skin, and his pawing claws hardly getting into action when the knife thrusts into his lungs and the charge of Flash shook him off. And he was fortunate for Flash had not met an unwounded carcass. The neck hold he had got in his lap, had saved him from a ripped exit.

Flinding that neither he nor his dog were hurt beyond painful scratches, Brock donned his torn capote, and hurried back to the main camp to treat the slight wounds on shoulder and left arm, and get his duffle coat. And so, through February, the boys labored on their trap lines, unattended by their enemies north of the big lake, while they added to the already rich catch of fur which might never see Hungry House.

One bright day, the Moon of the Crust on the Snow, was ten days old. Higher and higher, each day, swung the sun over the white wilderness of the Yellow Leg headwaters. With fur and surplus outfit securely hidden in the cave to the swamp, Gaspard and Brock waited for the great break in the weather, when, for a time, the March sun would daily soften the snow surface and the following frosts, at night, form a crust which would bear the weight of man and dog walking on it. With great care, Brock and Gaspard packed their traps, and the three were ready to start.

Then, as the excited Brock hung over the battle in the snow with

Hungry House, the boys fully realized. Often, in the past weeks, they had gone over it together—this long chance they were taking. Time after time Gaspard urged Brock to wait with Flash while he went south with the other dogs on his quest—wait through April, and, if he did not then return, take the Peterboro and ride the snow water behind the break-up of the ice in the Yellow Leg to the bay and home. But, characteristically Brock had heeded refused to "play safe" while his partner flirted with death in the No-Man's land to the north. So, while the surface of lake and muskeg hardened, and the forest floor, which the sun could reach, set into crust, the boys waited. Then, one day, when the weather had changed and the snow snapped with frost, Yellow Leg led the dogs into the north. On they went through the day, dogs and sled needing no trail breaker as in the months past when the snow was young and soft. Now as the dogs raced down slippery slopes, the boys were compelled to slip off their shoes and dig their heels into the crust while they leaned back on the tall lines left dragging for this purpose. Otherwise the heavy sled, gathering momentum, would overrun the team and capsize.



The First Hard Crust Would Find Them Headed North.

overlooking the big lake of the Carcass headwaters. Carefully Brock examined through his glasses the open country to the north and the glittering surface of the lake.

"The old sled-trail, down the lake, looks moved over and abandoned," he said, handing the binoculars to his friend.

For a long space the halfbreed studied the lake below them.

"Ah-hah!" he announced, finally. "They keep off the lake after dry ice message on de spruce, eh?"

"Looks as if our brief worked," agreed Brock.

"Well, we don't walk de lake just de same." "Lord, no! With the dogs here and the sled we've got to keep out of sight until we spot one of them and get some information."

To the boys followed the timber down to the lake and behind the screen of shore spruce proceeded north. Ahead of the dogs walked Brock, his knife loose in his sheath, for speed in cutting the tracks and putting the dogs into the fight, if it came. As a bank party traveled the lake, a hundred yards away, eyes roving, ears tense, noses flared. For they were in the land of a ruthless enemy, who had no mercy on his hands, and whose charge would be swift, sure and unrelenting like the plunge of a hand of the logs were caught off their guard.

They found the old trail where the par had buried the carcass message on the thinned spruce, that with no drift and abandoned. On down the lake they continued traveling slowly through the thick timber of the shore and late in the afternoon made camp.

In a thick stand of spruce the boys dug out a sleeping place and the two sleds were hauled up the bank. The Mitten of the middle right had passed with the coming of March but at twenty or thirty below zero they still needed a warm fire, and had to risk the chance of the discovery of its yellow glow in the spruce. After feeding the dogs, Sit Ear and Kona were tied well out to opposite directions, while Yellow Leg lay close to and

Flash, as usual, slept beside the camp.

Soon the stars broke through the violet heavens in a myriad of glittering points and the cold moon swung above the silent ridges. With uncanny sense on the brush beside them, Gaspard and Brock slept before the crackling fire.

For a space the voice of no rover of the night lifted to break the hush of the frozen forest. Then, from a ridge rose a wall like the cry of a stricken child—to die away, while the frosty stars snared above the sleeping willow. Shortly the wall rose now to climax in a scream.

From where he lay in the shelter of some scolding spruce, the deep throat of the wolverine Y Low Eye roared. Sit Ear and Kona stirred from their sleep, lifting their noses from the thick brush of their tails to test the air. Flash rose, shaking his iron body, his black nostrils quivering but the two shapes in the blankets slept on, oblivious.

Again the freezing air was split by the manifold voice on the ridge. With a roar of rage Flash sprang to his feet, joining the three dogs in their challenge to the thing out there in the mysterious gloom.

"What's up, Gaspard?" mumbled the waking Brock, throwing back his rabbit skin robe.

The halfbreed sat in his blankets with head tilted to the side, listening. "Is that a signal? The dogs' gone crazy?"

Rising, Gaspard pulled forward his hood, his ears tense, strained Brock noticed the rifle in his friend's hand. The boy kneeled out of his blankets because of their danger, in case of attack, they slept in their moccasins that they might without delay leap away from the freight and into the protecting forest.

"No, dat ees nothing, Y Low howling—no signal but dere ees something out dere beside Y Low," said Gaspard. "We get away from dis fire!"

"Thoroughly awake, now, Brock scrambled to his feet and seizing his gun, joined his friend out in the dusk beyond the fire glow, where a hidden enemy could not find a target. From the timber rose the angry yelps of Yellow Eye and Flash, beating back and forth. At their feet, Sit Ear and Kona added to the din.

"You think they're trying to stalk the camp—some of these people?" demanded Brock.

"I don know, Queer (Ingli) Dose dog howl at Y Low unless dey smell been. They can't smell been on dat ridge—de wind ees wrong."

"From the noise, the dogs haven't seen a trail—they're still hunting around."

"No, dey get de wind at something not de wind can see light."

Then the two friends, holding to the ridge glow of the thickest scrub, started their way toward the excited dogs who were seeking a trail out near the lake shore. Shortly Gaspard and Brock stood in the shadow of a spruce thicket bordering the white lake lit by the ash gray moon and swarming stars. In the timber somewhere below them roared the miller raps of Yellow Eye and Flash still hunting about for a trail of the thing whose scent had harassed their keen noses. Across the lake rose a long spruce ridge, purple with shadow under the gathering stars.

"The go Sit Ear and Kona's whistled Brock. "The rawhide's too strong. They had to chew it to get away."

"Ah-hah!" We use weaker piece next—Lark!" Gaspard suddenly pointed down the lake shore. From the coal black shadows a grey blur streaked out over the silent surface toward the opposite shore. Then, after a space, another shape leaped out over the ice, followed closely by a third.

"By gosh! Wolf!" muttered Gaspard. "Flash and Yellow Eye had been trail!"

Like a white wall, out over the moonlit lake surface, red the timber wolf leaped by the heavier built and slower track.

"Do that was the track!" laughed Brock. "That was how he can travel! He's going to try jump!"

With a snarl for a battle with the great timber wolf so outnumbered him, the sturdy timber wolf was running as fast as a wolf can run, as he leaped for the forest across the ice.

Then Sit Ear and Kona reached the shore and faced the hunt.

"We'd better turn in and get some sleep—the dogs to back soon. They know they can't run that ground anything more."

"Ah-hah!" We get some sleep, and leave here before daylight. Suppose dese people get sleep later here! They look for us, for sure."

Continued Next Week.

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the estates hereinafter named, At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine. The following matters having been presented for the action thereon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris on the third Tuesday of April, A. D. 1929, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Hortense M. Burbank, late of Bethel, deceased; Will and Petition to probate thereof and the appointment of Bruce and C. Burbank as executor of the same, and without bond as expressed in said Will, presented by said Bruce and C. Burbank, the executor therein named.

Agnes C. Fuller late of Oxford, deceased; will and petition to probate thereof and the appointment of Agnes F. Benson as executrix of the same, and without bond presented by said Agnes F. Benson, the executrix therein named.

Sarah E. Tuttle late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition to probate thereof and the appointment of Herbert E. Tuttle as executor of the same, and without bond as expressed in said will presented by said Herbert E. Tuttle, the executor therein named.

Witness, Henry H. Hastings, Judge of said Court at Paris this 11th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine.

ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of

Ellis G. Ayers, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ROLAND E. ANNIS, Bethel, Maine, 51

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of

Frank Haggood, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ELDERY C. PARK, Bethel, Maine, 51

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of

Harold O. Cross late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ELDERY C. PARK, Bethel, Maine, 51

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of

John M. Haggood, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ELDERY C. PARK, Bethel, Maine, 51

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UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE CO., New York City

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928
Mortgage Loans, \$2,031,275.00
Stocks and Bonds, \$1,800,513.00
Cash in Office and Bank, \$1,650,439.45
Agents' Balances, \$2,265,652.90
Bills Receivable, \$182,745.50
Interest and Rents, \$110,347.50
All other Assets, \$711.00

Grass Assets, \$38,570,142.50
LIABILITIES, DECEMBER 31, 1928
Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,740,055.18
Unearned Premiums, \$4,800,355.50
All other Liabilities, \$87,120.88
Cash Capital, \$4,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$6,914,613.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$38,570,142.50

VICTORY INSURANCE CO. OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928
Mortgage Loans, \$1,000,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, \$1,000,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank, \$1,000,000.00
Agents' Balances, \$1,000,000.00
Interest and Rents, \$1,000,000.00
All other Assets, \$1,000,000.00

Grass Assets, \$2,740,055.18
LIABILITIES, DECEMBER 31, 1928
Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,740,055.18
Unearned Premiums, \$4,800,355.50
All other Liabilities, \$87,120.88
Cash Capital, \$4,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$6,914,613.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$38,570,142.50

WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY

Toronto, Canada
New York Office—110 William St., New York City

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Stocks and Bonds, \$4,518,941.57
Cash in Office and Bank, \$908,652.87
Agents' Balances, \$18,925.75
Interest and Rents, \$9,381.44
All other Assets, \$2,527.00

Grass Assets, \$5,747,830.26
Deduct items not admitted, \$2,500.30

Admitted, \$5,745,329.96

LIABILITIES, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,850,753.84
Unearned Premiums, \$616,802.00
All other Liabilities, \$195,817.12
Cash Capital, \$4,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$2,123,604.42
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$5,745,329.96

THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY, Hartford, Connecticut

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Mortgage Loans, \$3,000,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, \$1,438,556.72
Cash in Office and Bank, \$1,186,671.60
Interest and Rents, \$194,240.75
All other Assets, \$1,231,269.30

Grass Assets, \$3,961,248.47
Deduct items not admitted, \$2,500.30

Admitted, \$3,958,748.17

LIABILITIES, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,850,753.84
Unearned Premiums, \$616,802.00
All other Liabilities, \$195,817.12
Cash Capital, \$4,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$2,123,604.42
Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$5,745,329.96

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